(i) State Government should accord priority to identification of the school-going children of scavengers.

(ii) Children of Safai Karamcharis generally remain deprived of quality education, therefore municipal corporations should run schools for such children.

(iii) The rate of scholarship to the children of Safai Karamcharis should be increased.

(iv) Adequate promotional avenues ensuring at least three vertical promotions be created based on experience, technical or other qualifications of Safai Karamcharis.

(v) All local bodies should provide primary, secondary and tertiary medical facilities to Safai Karamcharis and their families, with in-built mechanism for quarterly check up, and adequate insurance cover.

(vi) Safai Karamcharis should be provided additional allowances equal to 10% of their basic pay as risk allowance to compensate them for the risk they are constantly exposed to.

Beneficial schemes launched during eleventh plan

†3186. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many beneficial schemes have been announced in the interest of hearing impaired people of the country in Eleventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reasons for making no mention of announcements made in Eleventh Five Year Plan, especially in the interest of deaf people, in 2008-09 and 2009-10?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI D. NAPOLEON): (a) to (c) The Chapter on Social Justice in the Eleventh Five Year Plan document inter alia includes the establishment of Sign Language Research and Training Centre, National Captioning Centre, one residential special school upto class 12th and one Degree college for the deaf in every zone. Implementation of these programmes is subject to availability of adequate budgetary resources.

Discovery of new planets

3187. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA:
SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI:
Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that 32 planets have been found outside solar system, thereby increasing the number of planets discovered outside the solar system to more than 400;

(b) if so, whether it would further give a supporting evidence to the theory that the universe has many places where life could develop; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.